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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Polyester Staple Fiber from the Republic of Korea: Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2017-2018

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) is rescinding the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on polyester staple fiber (PSF) from the Republic of Korea (Korea), based on the timely withdrawal of requests for review. The period of review (POR) is May 1, 2017, through April 30, 2018.

DATES: Applicable [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On May 1, 2018, Commerce published a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on PSF from Korea for the POR of May 1,

2017, through April 30, 2018.¹ On May 31, 2018, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213, Commerce received a timely-filed request from DAK Americas LLC and Auriga Polymers, Inc. (collectively, the petitioners) for an administrative review of, among others, Huvis Corporation (Huvis).² Also on May 31, 2018, Huvis Corporation (Huvis) requested an administrative review of its POR sales.³ On July 12, 2018, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), Commerce published a notice of initiation of an administrative review of Huvis.⁴ On July 17and 18, 2018, respectively, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), both the petitioners and Huvis timely withdrew their requests for an administrative review of Huvis.⁵

Rescission of Review

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(l), Commerce will rescind an administrative review, in whole or in part, if the party, or parties, that requested a review withdraw(s) the request(s) within 90 days of the publication date of the notice of initiation of the requested review. As noted above, both the petitioners and Huvis withdrew their requests for review of Huvis within 90 days of the publication date of the notice of initiation. No other parties requested an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on PSF from Korea. Therefore, in response

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¹ See Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity to Request Administrative Review, 83 FR 19047 (May 1, 2018).

² See Letter from the petitioners, "Polyester Staple Fiber from Korea-Request for Annual Administrative Review" (May 31, 2018). The petitioners also requested an administrative review of Toray Chemical Korea, Inc. (Toray). However, the petitioners withdrew their request for Toray before the review was initiated. See Letter from the petitioners, "Polyester Staple Fiber from Korea – Withdrawal of Review Request for Toray Chemical Korea" (June 26, 2018). Thus, a review was not initiated for Toray.

³ See Letter from Huvis, "Certain Polyester Staple Fiber from Korea; Request for Administrative Review for 2017-2018 Period" (May 31, 2018).

⁴ See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews, 83 FR 32270 (July 12, 2018) (Notice of Initiation).

⁵ See Letter from the petitioners, "Polyester Staple Fiber from Korea - Withdrawal of Review Request for Huvis Corporation" (July 17, 2018); see also Letter from Huvis, "Certain Polyester Staple Fiber from Korea; Withdrawal of Request for Administrative Review for 2017-2018 Period" (July 18, 2018).

to the timely withdrawal of requests for review and, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(l), Commerce is rescinding this review.

Assessment

Commerce will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries of PSF from Korea during the POR. Antidumping duties shall be assessed at rates equal to the cash deposit of estimated antidumping duties required at the time of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, for consumption in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(c)(l)(i). Commerce intends to issue appropriate assessment instructions to CBP 15 days after publication of this notice in the *Federal Register*.

Notification to Importers

This notice serves as a final reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

Notification Regarding Administrative Protective Orders

This notice also serves as a final reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary information disclosed under an APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3), which continues to govern the business proprietary information in this segment of the proceeding. Timely written notification of the return or destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a sanctionable violation.

This notice is issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4).

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